

Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, reappoints Robert C. Khayat, of Mississippi, to the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance for a term beginning October 1, 1999, and ending September 30, 2002.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 93-415, as amended by Public Law 102-586, the Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, after consultation with the Democratic Leader, announces the appointment of Charles Sims, of Mississippi, to serve as a member of the Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, vice William Keith Oubre.

#### ¶97.5 SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 299. An Act to elevate the position of Director of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services to Assistant Secretary for Indian Health, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources; in addition to the Committee on Commerce for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

S. 406. An Act to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to make permanent the demonstration program that allows for direct billing of medicare, medicaid, and other third party payors, and to expand the eligibility under such program to other tribes and tribal organizations; to the Committee on Resources; in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

S. 613. An Act to encourage Indian economic development, to provide for the disclosure of Indian tribal sovereign immunity in contracts involving Indian tribes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Resources.

S. 614. An Act to provide for regulatory reform in order to encourage investment, business, and economic development with respect to activities conducted on Indian lands; to the Committee on Resources.

S. 944. An Act to amend Public Law 105-188 to provide for the mineral leasing of certain Indian lands in Oklahoma; to the Committee on Resources.

#### ¶97.6 ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The SPEAKER announced his signature to an enrolled bill of the Senate of the following title:

S. 380. An Act to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act.

#### ¶97.7 BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee did on the following date present to the President, for his approval, a bill of the House of the following title:

On September 15, 1999:

H.R. 2488. To provide for reconciliation pursuant to sections 105 and 211 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2000.

And then,

#### ¶97.8 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. ROHRABACHER, pursuant to the special order agreed to on Wednesday, September 15, 1999, at 11 o'clock and 4 minutes a.m., the House adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 21, 1999.

#### ¶97.9 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, report of committee was delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. GILMAN: Committee on International Relations. H.R. 1993. A bill to reauthorize the Overseas Private Investment Corporation and the Trade and Development Agency, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. No. 106-325). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

#### ¶97.10 PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions of the following titles were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. ROHRABACHER (for himself, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. COOKSEY, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. HAYES, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mrs. EMERSON, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mrs. BIGGERT, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. TRAFICANT, Mr. WELDON of Pennsylvania, Mr. PETERSON of Minnesota, Mr. MCINTOSH, Mr. WICKER, Mr. CUNNINGHAM, Mr. SWEENEY, Mrs. CHENOWETH, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. TANCREDO, and Mr. STEARNS):

(H. Con. Res. 186). A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding a continued United States security presence in the Panama Canal Zone and a review of the contract bidding process for the Balboa and Cristobal canal ports; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations.

#### ¶97.11 ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 363: Mr. RODRIGUEZ.

H.R. 728: Mr. BLILEY.

H.R. 1248: Mr. LARSON.

H.R. 1484: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois.

H. Res. 292: Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. BLAGOJEVICH, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, and Mrs. LOWEY.

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1999 (98)

#### ¶98.1 APPOINTMENT OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The House was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by the SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PETRI, who laid before the House the following communication:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
September 21, 1999.

I hereby appoint the Honorable THOMAS E. PETRI to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### ¶98.2 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. McDevitt, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 2084. An Act making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate insists upon its amendment to the bill (H.R. 2084) "An Act making appropriations for the Department of Transportation and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes," requests a conference with the House on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and appoints Mr. SHELBY, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. BOND, Mr. GORTON, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BYRD, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. REID, Mr. KOHL, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. INOUE, to be the conferees on the part of the Senate.

#### ¶98.3 "MORNING-HOUR DEBATE"

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PETRI, pursuant to the order of the House of Tuesday, January 19, 1999, recognized Members for "morning-hour debate".

#### ¶98.4 RECESS—12:56 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. PETRI, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess at 12 o'clock 56 minutes p.m. until 2 o'clock p.m.

#### ¶98.5 AFTER RECESS—2 P.M.

The SPEAKER called the House to order.

#### ¶98.6 APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER announced he had examined and approved the Journal of the proceedings of Friday, September 17, 1999.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal was approved.

#### ¶98.7 COMMUNICATIONS

Executive and other communications, pursuant to clause 2, rule XIV, were referred as follows:

4263. A letter from the Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Use of Soy Protein Concentrate, Modified Food Starch, and Carrageenan as Binders in Certain Meat Products [Docket No. 94-015N] (RIN: 0583-AB82) received August 20, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4264. A letter from the Administrator, Food and Consumer Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Food Stamp Program: Electronic

Benefit Transfer Benefit Adjustments [Amdt No. 378] (RIN: 0584-AC61) received September 14, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4265. A letter from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—High-Temperature Forced-Air Treatments for Citrus [Docket No. 96-069-4] received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4266. A letter from the Administrator, Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—1998-Crop Peanuts, National Poundage Quota, National Average Price Support Level For Quota and Additional Peanuts, and Minimum Commodity Credit Corporation Export Edible Sales Price for Additional Peanuts (RIN: 0560-AF 81) received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4267. A letter from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule—Vidalia Onions Grown in Georgia; Fiscal Period Change [Docket No. FV99-955-1 IFR] received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4268. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Pyridate; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions [OPP-300905; FRL-6094-7] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received August 18, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4269. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Desmedipham; Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemption [OPP-300908; FRL-6096-7] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received August 18, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4270. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Carfentrazonethyl; Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemption [OPP-300912; FRL-6097-8] (RIN: 2070-AB78) received August 18, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4271. A letter from the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Farm Credit Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Funding and Fiscal, Loan Policies and Operations; FCB Assistance to Associations (RIN: 3052-AB80) received September 9, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

4272. A letter from the the Comptroller General, the General Accounting Office, transmitting a report of a deferral of budget authority, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 686(a); (H. Doc. No. 106-126); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

4273. A letter from the the Director, the Office of Management and Budget, transmitting a request to make available emergency appropriations for the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Small Business Administration for the needs of the victims of Hurricane Floyd; (H. Doc. No. 106-125); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

4274. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting a notification of an appropriation of budget authority for the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Disaster relief program; (H. Doc. No. 106-124); to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed.

4275. A letter from the Department of Defense, transmitting notification that the Commander of Air Combat Command is initiating a multi-function cost comparison of the base operating support functions at Beale Air Force Base (AFB), California, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2304 nt.; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4276. A letter from the Under Secretary of Defense, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense, transmitting a Plan For Full Utilization of Military Technicians (Dual Status) On and After September 30, 2007; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4277. A letter from the Director, Defense Procurement, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's final rule—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Manufacturing Technology Program [DFARS Case 98-D306] received September 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Armed Services.

4278. A letter from the Department of Defense, Acquisition and Technology, transmitting a report to Congress entitled "DoD Demonstration Program to Improve the Quality of Personal Property Shipments of Members of the Armed Forces"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4279. A letter from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting the approved retirement of Admiral J. Paul Reason, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of admiral on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

4280. A letter from the Deputy Congressional Liaison, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting the Board's final rule—Credit by Brokers and Dealers (Regulation T); List of Foreign Margin Stocks—received August 27, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Banking and Financial Services.

4281. A letter from the Acting Assistant, Secretary, Department of Education, transmitting Final Regulations—Projects With Industry, pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1232(f); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

4282. A letter from the Director, Corporate Policy and Research Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's final rule—Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing Benefits—received September 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

4283. A letter from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting the 1999 report of Health, United States, compiled by the National Center for Health Statistics, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 242m(a)(2)(D); to the Committee on Commerce.

4284. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Substantial Evidence of Effectiveness of New Animal Drugs [Docket No. 97N-0435] received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4285. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Indirect Food Additives: Paper and Paperboard Components [Docket No. 96F-0145] received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4286. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Indirect Food Additives: Paper and Paperboard Components [Docket No. 98F-0871] received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4287. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Indirect Food Additives: Adjuvants, Production Aids, and Sanitizers [Docket No. 91F-0399] received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4288. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Indirect Food Additives: Adjuvants, Production Aids, Sanitizers [Docket No. 99F-0459] received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4289. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule—Indirect Food Additives: Polymers [Docket No. 89F-0338] received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4290. A letter from the Director, Regulations Policy and Management Staff, Department of Health and Human Services, FDA, transmitting the Department's final rule—Secondary Direct Food Additives Permitted in Food for Human Consumption [Docket No. 99F-0299] received September 15, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4291. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—North Carolina: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision [FRL-6427-2] received August 18, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4292. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Clean Air Act Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plan Revision for North Dakota; Revisions to the Air Pollution Control Rules; Delegation of Authority for New Source Performance Standards [ND-001-0006a; FRL-6426-5] received August 24, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4293. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of State Implementation Plans; California [CA-81-167; FRL-6427-4] received August 24, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4294. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, South Coast Air Quality Management District, Ventura County Air Pollution Control District [CA 224-0166a; FRL-6425-5] received August 24, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4295. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, South Coast Air Quality Management District [CA 217-0170a; FRL-6423-1] received August 24, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4296. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and

Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Massachusetts; Reasonably Available Control Technology for Major Stationary Sources of Nitrogen Oxides and Nitrogen Oxide Requirements at Municipal Waste Combustors [MA-35-1-6659a; A-1-FRL-6425-4] received August 24, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4297. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Acquisition Regulation: Contracting by Negotiation [FRL-6428-3] received August 24, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4298. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; New Hampshire General Conformity [NH039-7166a; A-1-FRL-6416-2] received August 11, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4299. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, South Coast Air Quality Management District [CA 207-156; FRL-6409-4] received August 11, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4300. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Wisconsin [WI191-01-7322a; FRL-6414-7] received August 11, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4301. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Halogenated Solvent Cleaning [AD-FRL-6419-9] received August 11, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4302. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plan; Connecticut; Approval of National Low Emission Vehicle Program [R1-052-7211a; A-1-FRL-6417-5] received August 11, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4303. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Priorities List for Uncontrolled Hazardous Waste Sites [FRL-6439-7] received September 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4304. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Tennessee: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision [FRL-6437-9] received September 10, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4305. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Notice of Direct Final Rule Revisions to Emissions Budgets Set Forth in EPA's Finding of Significant Contribution and Rulemaking for Purposes of Reducing Regional Transport of Ozone for the States of Connecticut, Massa-

chusetts and Rhode Island [FRL-6437-3] received September 10, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4306. A letter from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—National Primary Drinking Water Regulation: Consumer Confidence Reports; Correction [FRL-6437-6] received September 10, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4307. A letter from the Chief, Mass Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations. (Cherry Valley and Cotton Plant, Arkansas) [MM Docket No. 98-223; RM-9340; RM-9481; RM-9482] received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4308. A letter from the Chief, Mass Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b) Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations. (Oraibi and Leupp, Arizona) [MM Docket No. 98-179; RM-9344] received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4309. A letter from the Chief, Mass Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations. (Kensett, Arkansas; Somerton, Arizona; Augusta, Kansas; Wellton, Arizona; Center, Colorado; La Veta, Colorado; Walsenburg, Colorado; Taft, California; Cimarron, Kansas) [MM Docket No. 99-99, RM-9484; MM Docket No. 99-100, RM-9491; MM Docket 99-101, RM-9494; MM Docket No. 99-102, RM-9495; MM Docket No. 99-105, RM-9508; MM Docket 99-107, RM-9510; MM Docket No. 99-109, RM-9512; MM Docket No. 99-111, RM-9539; MM Docket No. 99-113, RM-9544] Received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4310. A letter from the Director, Office of the Congressional Affairs, Office of the State Programs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—State of Ohio: Discontinuance of Certain Commission Regulatory Authority Within the State—received September 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4311. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—Requirements for Those Who Possess Certain Industrial Devices Containing Byproduct Material to Provide Requested Information (RIN: 3150-AG06) received September 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4312. A letter from the Director, Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting the Commission's final rule—List of Approved Spent Fuel Storage Casks: (HI-STAR 100) Addition (RIN: 3150-AG17) received September 9, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Commerce.

4313. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting Copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

4314. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a biographical sketch of potential nominee of Ambassador to the People's Republic of China; to the Committee on International Relations.

4315. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting the Report on Religious Freedom; to the Committee on International Relations.

4316. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 13-132 "Closing of a Public Alley in Square 454, and Square 455, S.O. 98-194, Act of 1999" received September 3, 1999, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

4317. A letter from the Executive Director, District of Columbia Retirement Board, transmitting the personal financial disclosure statements of Board members, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-732 and 1-734(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

4318. A letter from the Executive Director, District of Columbia Retirement Board, transmitting the personal financial disclosure statements of Board members, pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-732 and 1-734(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

4319. A letter from the General Counsel, Executive Office of the President, transmitting the reports on vacancies in Senate confirmed positions; to the Committee on Government Reform.

4320. A letter from the Comptroller General, General Accounting Office, transmitting the Research Notification System Report through August 3, 1999; to the Committee on Government Reform.

4321. A letter from the Deputy Director, Office of General Counsel and Legal Policy, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Office's final rule—Revisions to the Public Financial Disclosure Gifts Waiver Provision (RIN: 3209-AA00) received September 9, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

4322. A letter from the Deputy Associate Director for Royalty Management, Department of the Interior, transmitting notification of proposed refunds of offshore lease revenues where a refund or recoupment is appropriate, pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 1339(b); to the Committee on Resources.

4323. A letter from the Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule—Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants: Threatened Status for Lake Erie Water Snakes (*Nerodia sipedon insularum*) on the Offshore Islands of Western Lake Erie (RIN: 1018-AC09) received August 25, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4324. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—General Grant Administration Terms and Conditions of the Coastal Ocean Program [Docket No. 990713192-9192-01; I.D. No. 080399-D] (RIN: 0648-ZA67) received September 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4325. A letter from the Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Ocean Service, Estuarine Reserves Division, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Graduate Research Fellowships in the National Estuarine Research Reserve System for FY 2000 (RIN: 0648-ZA66) received September 8, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

4326. A letter from the Director, Bureau of Justice Assistance, transmitting a report of the Bureau of Justice Assistance entitled, "Fiscal Year 1998 Annual Report to Congress," pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 3789e; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4327. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmit-

ting the Department's Final Rule—Fair Housing Complaint Processing; Plain Language Revision and Reorganization [Docket No. FR-4433-F-02] (RIN: 2529-AA86) received September 15, 1999; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4328. A letter from the Acting Director, Office of Federal Housing Enterprise Oversight, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Debt Collection (RIN: 2550-AA07) received September 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4329. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule—Compliance Procedures for Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing; Nomenclature Change; Final Rule (RIN: 2529-AA87) received August 24, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4330. A letter from the Counsel, National Tropical Botanical Garden, transmitting the annual audit report of the National Tropical Botanical Garden, Calendar Year 1998, pursuant to Public Law 88-449, section 10(b) (78 Stat. 498); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4331. A letter from the Director, Office of General Counsel & Legal Policy, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Department's final rule—Civil Monetary Penalties Inflation Adjustments for Ethics in Government Act Violations (RIN: 3209-AA00 and 3209-AA13) received August 24, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4332. A letter from the Director, Office of General Counsel and Legal Policy, Office of Government Ethics, transmitting the Office's final rule—Post-Employment Conflict of Interest Restrictions; Revision of Departmental Component Designations (RIN: 3209-AA07) received August 25, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

4333. A letter from the Attorney Advisor, Office of the Chief Counsel, FHA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Truck Size and Weight; Definitions; Nondivisible [FHWA Docket No. FHWA-98-4326] (RIN: 2125-AE43) received September 9, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4334. A letter from the Attorney, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Research and Special Programs Administration [Docket No. RSPA-98-4185 (HM-215C)] (RIN: 2137-AD15) received August 16, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4335. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 727 Series Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-03-AD; Amendment 39-11271; AD 99-18-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4336. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; Cessna Aircraft Company Model 172R Airplanes [Docket No. 99-CE-55-AD; Amendment 39-11280; AD 99-18-14] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 3, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4337. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the

Department's final rule—Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Model DC-9-10, -20, -30, -40, and -50 Series Airplanes, and C-9 (Military) Airplanes [Docket No. 97-NM-49-AD; Amendment 39-11224; AD 99-15-05] (RIN: 2120-AA64) received September 14, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4338. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Kansas City, MO [Airspace Docket No. 98-ACE-34] received September 14, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4339. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Sikeston, MO [Airspace Docket No. 99-ACE-43] received September 14, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4340. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Modification of the Orlando Class B Airspace Area, Orlando, FL; and Modification of the Orlando Sanford Airport Class D Airspace Area, Sanford, FL [Airspace Docket No. 95-AWA-4] (RIN: 2120-AA66) received September 14, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4341. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Amendment to Class E Airspace; Malden, MO [Airspace Docket No. 99-ACE-42] received September 14, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4342. A letter from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, FAA, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments [Docket No. 29733; Amendment No. 1948] received September 14, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4343. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Extensions of Application Period for Temporary Housing Assistance (RIN: 3067-AC82) received September 8, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4344. A letter from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule—Disaster Assistance; Factors Considered When Evaluating a Governor's Request for a Major Disaster Declaration (RIN: 3067-AC94) received September 9, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

4345. A letter from the Associate Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule—Implementing Foreign Proposals to NASA Research Announcements on a No-Exchange-of-Funds Basis—received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Science.

4346. A letter from the Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, Department of Commerce, International Trade Commission, transmitting the Department's final rule—Regulation Concerning Preliminary Critical Circumstances Findings [Docket No. 9908128228-9228-01] (RIN: 0625-AA56) re-

ceived September 10, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4347. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Sports Franchises—received September 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4348. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—Section 7702 Closing Agreements [Notice 99-47] received September 7, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

4349. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule—1999 Section 43 Inflation Adjustment [Notice 99-45] received September 13, 1999, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

#### ¶98.8 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The SPEAKER laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,  
U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, September 20, 1999.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,  
The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives,  
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on September 16, 1999 at 3:10 p.m. and said to contain a message from the President whereby he transmits to the Congress proposed legislation entitled, the "Cyberspace Electronic Security Act of 1999."

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAHLL.

#### ¶98.9 CYBERSPACE ELECTRONIC SECURITY

The Clerk then read the message from the President, as follows:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

I am pleased to transmit for your early consideration and speedy enactment a legislative proposal entitled the "Cyberspace Electronic Security Act of 1999" (CESA). Also transmitted herewith is a section-by-section analysis.

There is little question that continuing advances in technology are changing forever the way in which people live, the way they communicate with each other, and the manner in which they work and conduct commerce. In just a few years, the Internet has shown the world a glimpse of what is attainable in the information age. As a result, the demand for more and better access to information and electronic commerce continues to grow—among not just individuals and consumers, but also among financial, medical, and educational institutions, manufacturers and merchants, and State and local governments. This increased reliance on information and communications raises important privacy issues because Americans want assurance that their sensitive personal and business information is protected